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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kazuhiro ODA, et al.

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FOR: ALUMINIUM ALLOY FOR CASTING, HAVING HIGH RIGIDITY AND LOW LINER EXPANSION  
COEFFICIENT

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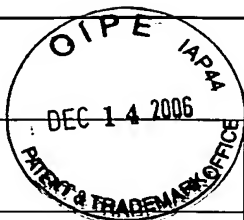
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#### STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

- 1) References        have been cited in the International Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 2) References AO & AP have been cited in the corresponding International Preliminary Examination Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 3) References        are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 4) References        are additional prior art known to Applicant. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.



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